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REF: USIA CA 654, MARCH 31, 1972

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1. U.S. VETO TOPS ALL MEDIA REACTION. AL-AYAM'S MAIN FRONT PAGE HEADLINES: "AMERICA USES VETO ... REJECTION OF DECISION ON M.E. ISSUE SUBMITTED BY NON-COMMITTED NATIONS ... EXPECTATION OF WORLD-WIDE REACTION AGAINST AMERICAN OBSTINATE POSITION." AL-AYAM AND RADIO OMDURMAN REPORTED, "U.S. USED VETO IN SECCOUNCIL YESTERDAY AGAINST DRAFT DECISION CONCERNING M.E. PROBLEM, SUBMITTED BY EIGHT MEMBERS OF NON-COMMITTED NATIONS IN SECCOUNCIL." AL-AYAM ADDED, "IT IS EXPECTED THAT U.S. OBSTINATE ATTITUDE WILL MAKE WIDE REACTION, NOT ONLY IN M.E., BUT IN NON-COMMITTED BLOC AND AFRICAN BLOC, WHICH RECENTLY DETERMINED ITS CLEAR ATTITUDE."

2. AL-AYAM FRONT PAGE SUB-HEAD: "NIXON ENTERS CRITICAL STAGE IN WATERGATE SCANDAL BY REFUSING MAGISTERIAL ORDER."

3. IN ITS "POLITICAL DIARY", AL-AYAM REFERRED TO SHAH OF IRAN VISIT TO U.S. AND SAID, "NIXON WELCOMED SHAH

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AND DESCRIBED HIM AS FIRST CLASS CHIEF OF STATE."

COLOMNIST EL-SIR HASSAN FADL COMMENTED, "PETROL IS  
PLAYING MAJOR ROLE IN U.S. AND BRITISH SUPPORT OF SHAH,  
WHICH REPRESENTS U.S. AGREEMENT TO SUPPLY IRAN WITH  
ALL KINDS OF WEAPONS, EXCEPT NUCLEAR. SOME OBSERVERS  
BELIEVE AMERICAN WILL PUT IRAN IN PLACE OF ITS FIRST  
ALLY IN AREA, ISRAEL, IF ARAB PETROL USED IN BATTLE  
AGAINST ISRAEL." THOMPSON

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